REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed on May 12, 2008. Claims 1 and 3-25 were pending in that action, and the Examiner rejected all of the claims. With this Amendment, claims 1, 3-4, 6, 8, 10, and 12-15 are amended, claims 11 and 16-25 are cancelled, and the remaining claims are unchanged. Consideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully solicited in light of the following comments.

Claim 1:

Claim 1 has been amended to include the limitation that the managed code resources are compliant with Common Language Specification. This limitation was previously recited in claim 11. This limitation is also supported throughout the application as originally filed. For example, the specification on page 1, line 30, to page 2, line 1, states that Common Language Specification (CLS) is a basic set of language features common across multiple applications.

On page 5 of the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claim 1 as being anticipated by Craig Utley, "A Programmer's Introduction to Visual Basic .NET," SAMS Publishing, 2001 (hereinafter "Utley"). In order for an Examiner to reject a claim as being anticipated, the Examiner must show that all elements of the claim are found in a single reference, and that the elements in the single reference are arranged as is required by the claim. MPEP 2131. "The identical invention must be shown in as complete detail as is contained in the . . . claim." *Richardson v. Suzuki Motor Co.*, 9 USPQ2d 1913, 1920 (Fed. Cir. 1989). Applicant respectfully contends that claim 1 is not anticipated by Utley because Utley does not disclose all of the claim 1 elements.

Claim 1 recites in part "providing a developer with access to a plurality of managed code resources that are compliant with Common Language Specification" and "verifying that a resource identifier input by the developer corresponds to one of the plurality of CLS compliant managed code resources[.]" Utley does not disclose CLS compliant resources and Utley does not disclose resource identifiers that correspond to CLS compliant resources.

On pages 6-10 of the Office Action, the Examiner repeatedly states that Utley Figures 6.13-15 disclose resource identifiers. For example, on page 6 of the Office

Action, the Examiner states that these figures anticipate the claim 2 limitation of "providing the developer with a collection of resource identifiers." Utley Figure 6.14 is shown below.

Resource Identifiers?
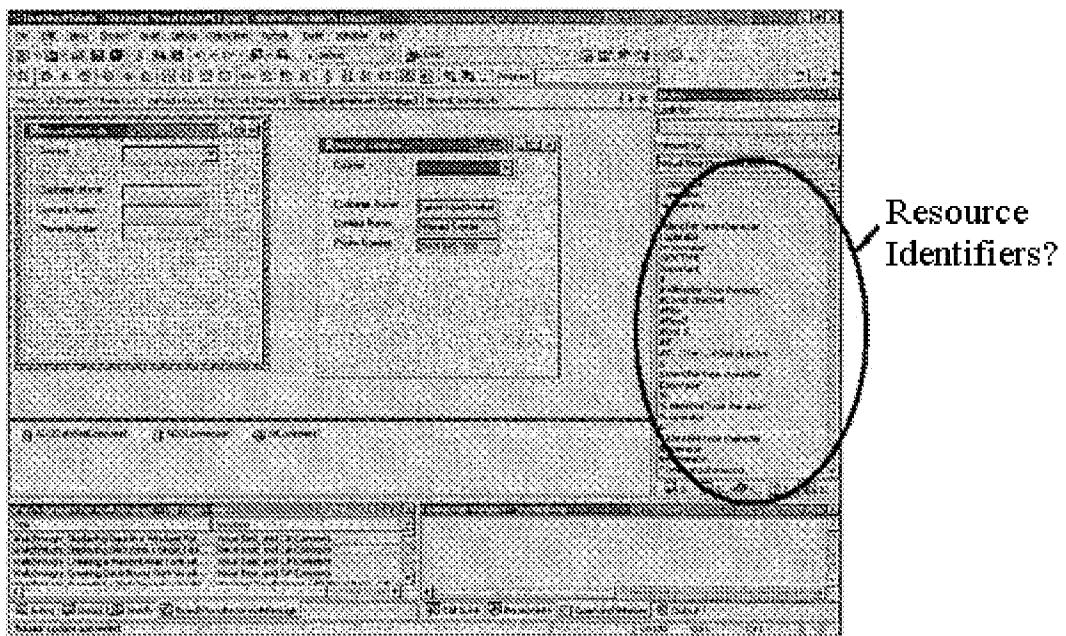
The section of that figure that Applicant believes the Examiner is contending are "resource identifiers" is circled. Those "resource identifiers" include "Else," "ElseIf," "End If," "If Then Else," and "(wildcard character)." These Utley identifiers have no relationship to Common Language Specification compliant resources. These Utley identifiers are in fact the direct opposite of CLS compliant. Very generally speaking, CLS compliance pertains to eliminating differences between programming languages to increase interoperability. The types of functions in Utley Figures 6.13-15 are language specific. For example, in C# an "else if" command is "else if," but in Virtual Basic it is "ElseIf." See, e.g., http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Comparison_of_C_sharp_and_Visual_Basic_.NET. Utley clearly does not disclose CLS compliant resources or identifiers corresponding to those CLS compliant resources. Utley only discloses non-CLS compliant resources and corresponding identifiers.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicant respectfully contends that Utley does not anticipate claim 1 and that the rejection was improper. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection be withdrawn and the claim allowed.

Claim 12:

Claim 12 has been written in independent form. Claim 12 was also rejected by the Examiner as being anticipated by Utley. Applicant respectfully contends that this rejection was improper.

Claim 12 recites in part "receiving from the developer an addition to the plurality of managed code resources." The Examiner has contended that the Utley resources are the functions like "If" and "Else If" shown in Figures 6.13-15. Applicant has reviewed Utley and does not see Utley disclose anywhere in the document how to add something to the Utley list of "If," "Else If," etc. Applicant respectfully contends that there is no indication that anything can be added to the Utley list, and that because of this, that Utley cannot anticipate claim 12.

Applicant would also like to address the Examiner's grounds for rejection. On page 7 of the Office Action, in rejecting claim 12, the Examiner simply states that "[t]he Visual Studio/Basic .NET receives developer's application user-defined code[.]" Applicant respectfully contends that even if Utley discloses this, that Utley does not anticipate claim 12. Claim 12 recites in part "receiving from the developer an addition to the plurality of managed code resources." "Receiving developer's code" is not the same as "receiving from the developer." The code could be the developer's code but received from another source. Additionally, the Examiner's assertion does not indicate an addition to the plurality of managed code resources such as recited in claim 12.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicant respectfully contends that claim 12 is not anticipated by Utley and that the rejection was improper. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection be withdrawn and the claim allowed.

Claim 15:

Claim 15 has been written in independent form. Claim 15 was also rejected by the Examiner as being anticipated by Utley. Applicant respectfully contends that this rejection was improper.

Claim 15 recites in part "providing the developer with a collection of resource identifiers that include at least two identifiers that each identify a different language version of what is essentially the same resource[.]" On page 8 of the Office Action, the Examiner states that "Studio/Basic .NET provides selections for US and other languages for the resources used for application designing." Providing language selection capability does not anticipate claim 15. Language selection only allows a user to toggle between the language being used/displayed. For example, a user could choose to work in English or in Spanish. This is not what is recited in claim 15. In claim 15, very generally speaking, a single collection includes two identifiers that are essentially the same but in different languages. This is different than the Examiner's assertion of toggling between languages.

For at least the reasons discussed above, Applicant respectfully contends that claim 15 is not anticipated by Utley. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection be withdrawn and the claim allowed.

Claims 3-10 and 13-14:

Several of these claims have been amended to correct minor typographical errors. Applicant respectfully contends that these claims are allowable at least based on their dependence upon allowable independent claims. Applicant respectfully requests that the rejections to these claims be withdrawn and the claims allowed.

Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1, 12, and 15 are patentably distinguishable over the cited reference. It is also respectfully submitted that claims 3-10 and 13-14 are patentable at least based on their dependence upon patentable independent claims. Accordingly, consideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully solicited. The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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